

**MARICOPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTE BOOK**

**SPECIAL SESSION  
October 30, 2002**

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County, Arizona convened in Special Session at the site of the new Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Training Center located at 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Lower Buckeye Road, Phoenix, Arizona, at 9:00 a.m., October 30, 2002, with the following members present: Fulton Brock, Vice Chairman; Max W. Wilson and Mary Rose Wilcox. Absent: Don Stapley, Chairman and Andy Kunasek. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; David Smith, County Administrative Officer; and Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney.

**GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE NEW TRAINING CENTER FOR THE MARICOPA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

In her opening remarks, Supervisor Wilcox spoke of the overall program the County has embarked on for the jails and support facilities and alluded to the newly opened Forensic Science Center, the Jackson Street Jail (still under construction), the Estrella Support center, the Adult and Juvenile Detention centers and the Juvenile Treatment Center. She congratulated all involved for bringing this training center in "on time and on budget." (ADM3900)

Supervisor Brock mentioned the team effort of all those involved to bring the project together and the difficulties encountered with so many items needing to be prioritized and the necessary evaluation of each segment. He congratulated all who were involved in planning this facility. He also listed several groups who will receive specialized training in the facility in order to better handle the responsibilities of their jobs.

Supervisor Wilson said that every award to Maricopa County is a tribute to all the employees who work for the County. He said that the Board of Supervisors takes the time to study all requests to make the decisions and then the employees carry them out. He said that he had gone on a drug-bust with officers from the Sheriff's Office, which made him realize how quickly they had to make decisions and then act on those decisions decisively and indicated that it had been his pleasure to watch trained professionals do their job.

Sheriff Arpaio said he was excited to see these centers being built and pleased to see an integrated plan to deal with the whole spectrum of services for residents. He cited a recent FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation) study that indicated Deputy Sheriffs are doing the most dangerous job in law enforcement because they usually patrol in remote areas by themselves. He said that he wants to train people in this center who will continue to work for him, as it is important for his department's efficiency and effectiveness to keep the employees he trains intact as a unit. He said that it requires a competitive pay scale for him to keep his well-trained and trusted staff from leaving for higher paying jobs elsewhere.

All Supervisors and Sheriff Arpaio took shovels and proceeded with the ground breaking ceremony.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Don Stapley, Chairman of the Board

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